

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)  
LEX-0280-USA

In re Application of Yu et al.

Application Number 10/014,896

Filed 12/11/2001

For Novel Human Proteases and Polynucleotides Encoding the Same

Group Art Unit 1647

Examiner Christopher Nichols

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate small-entity fee are as follows  
(check time period desired):

One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ 55.00

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-08962.  
I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the  applicant/inventor

assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

attorney or agent of record.

attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). 41,071.

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February 2, 2004  
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